#### MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 4(D)

**TO:** Honorable Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: June 22, 2004

FROM: George M. Burgess

County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Class IV Permit Application By Homestead-Miami Speedway, LCC, to Impact 60 Acres of Wetlands for

Commercial Use

Attached, please find for your consideration an application by Homestead-Miami Speedway, LLC for a Class IV Wetland Permit. Also, attached is the recommendation of the Director of the Department of Environmental Resources Management and a Resolution approving the aforesaid application.

Assistant County Manager

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

George M. Burgess

County Manager

DATE:

May 26, 2004

FROM:

John W. Renfrow, P.E., Director

Environmental Resources Management

**SUBJECT:** 

Class IV Permit Application

By Homestead-Miami

Speedway, LCC, to Impact

60 Acres of Wetlands for Commercial Use

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

I have reviewed the application from Homestead-Miami Speedway, LLC for a Class IV Wetland Permit. Based upon the applicable evaluation factors set forth in Section 24-58.3 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, I recommend that the Board of County Commissioners approve the aforesaid application for the reasons set forth below.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The subject Class IV Permit application involves the proposed filling of 60 acres of jurisdictional wetlands in the South Dade Wetlands Basin for commercial use, specifically, an overflow parking area for the Homestead-Miami Speedway. The subject property is located north of Southwest 336<sup>th</sup> Street, between Southwest 132<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and Southwest 142<sup>nd</sup> Avenue in Sections 22 and 23, Township 57 South, Range 39 East. The subject wetland properties are located outside the Urban Development Boundary designated by the Miami-Dade County Comprehensive Development Master Plan, but within the 2015 expansion area. The wetland areas consist of 60 acres of seasonal agricultural land.

The subject properties are considered jurisdictional under the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida. However, wetland sites that have had agricultural activities, such as row crops, occurring on them continually from a time prior to the implementation of the County's Freshwater Wetlands Protection Ordinance (September 16, 1983), are not required to mitigate for wetland impacts. The subject properties have undergone this continual disturbance and alteration as a result of agricultural activities, therefore, mitigation is not required for the proposed filling.

The proposed project has been designed in accordance with all relevant Miami-Dade County wetland criteria and is consistent with all other Miami-Dade County wetland protection provisions. Please find attached a Project Report from the DERM Wetland and Forest Resources Section, which outlines in more detail the reasons the project is recommended for approval by DERM pursuant to the applicable evaluations factors set forth in Section 24-58.3 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The conditions, limitations, and restrictions set forth in the Project Report attached hereto are incorporated herein by reference.

George M. Burgess County Manager Page 2

### **Attachments**

Attachment A: Class IV Permit Application

Attachment B: Letter from Property Owner

Engineer's Certification Letter

Attachment C: Planning and Zoning Approval Letter

Adjacent Property Owners List

Attachment D: DERM Water Control's Cut and Fill Approval

Attachment E: Project Report

TO:

Hon. Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D.

DATE:

June 22, 2004

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 4(D)

Please	e note any items checked.
	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
$\checkmark$	No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No.	4(D)
Veto		6-22-04	
Override			
	RESOLUTION NO.		

RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN APPLICATION BY HOMESTEAD-MIAMI SPEEDWAY, LLC, FOR A CLASS IV PERMIT TO IMPACT SIXTY (60) ACRES OF WETLANDS FOR COMMERCIAL USE BETWEEN SOUTHWEST 132<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE AND SOUTHWEST 142<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE NORTH OF SOUTHWEST 336<sup>TH</sup> STREET IN SECTIONS 22 AND 23, TOWNSHIP 57 SOUTH, RANGE 39 EAST, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA IN THE SOUTH DADE WETLANDS BASIN.

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board having considered all the applicable factors contained within Section 24-58.3 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, hereby approves the application of Homestead-Miami Speedway, LLC, for a Class IV Permit to fill 60 acres of wetlands for commercial use in Miami-Dade County, Florida, subject to the conditions set forth in the memorandum from the Director of the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. The issuance of this approval does not relieve the applicant from obtaining all applicable Federal, State and local permits.

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The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler, Chairperson

Bruno A. Barreiro

Betty T. Ferguson

Joe A. Martinez Dennis C. Moss Natacha Seijas

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Sally A. Heyman

Jimmy L. Morales Dorrin D. Rolle

Rebeca Sosa

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 22nd day of June, 2004. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

Katy Sorenson, Vice-Chairperson

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY **COMMISSIONERS** 

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

Deputy Clerk

Peter S. Tell

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AN APPLICATION BY HOMESTEAD-MIAMI, LLC, FOR A CLASS IV PERMIT TO IMPACT 60 ACRES OF WETLANDS FOR COMMERCIAL USE BETWEEN SOUTHWEST 132<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE AND SOUTHWEST 142<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE, NORTH OF SOUTHWEST 336<sup>TH</sup> STREET IN SECTIONS 22 AND 23, TOWNSHIP 57 SOUTH, RANGE 39 EAST, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA IN THE SOUTH DADE WETLAND BASIN.

#### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 24-58 of the Code of Miami-Dade County that the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County will hold and conduct a Public Hearing on a request by Homestead-Miami Speedway, LLC, for a Class IV Permit to impact 60 acres of wetlands for commercial use, specifically an overflow parking lot for the Homestead-Miami Speedway. Such Public Hearing will be held on the day of , 2004, at o'clock, at the County Commission Chambers on the 2nd Floor of the Stephen P. Clark Center in Miami, Florida.

Plans and details concerning the work requested in the application may be reviewed by interested persons at the office of the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resource Management, 4th Floor, 33 S.W. 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida, 33130.

Oral statements will be heard and appropriate records made. For accuracy of records, all important facts and arguments should be prepared in writing in triplicate, with two copies being submitted to the Deputy Clerk of the County Commission at the hearing or mailed to her beforehand (Kay Sullivan, Deputy Clerk), 111 N.W. 1st Street, Stephen P. Clark Center, Suite

17-202, Miami, Florida 33128; and with one copy being submitted beforehand to the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management, 33 S.W. 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida, 33130.

A person who decides to appeal any decision made by any Board, Agency, or Commission with respect to any matter considered at its meeting or hearing, will need a record of proceedings. Such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

BY:

Kay Sullivan, Deputy Clerk

## ATTACHMENT A

Class IV Wetland Permit Application
Permit Plans

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DER APPLICATION NUM (official use only)	SFWMD ER	RP Mod. 13-0	00711-S		
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STREET					
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		2. Cubic yards: Total for Project
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		B. Type of material to be excavated/dredged
		C. Depth of excavated/dredged area
	В.	Fill
		1. Amount of material
		A. 290,400± cyd
		B. Total acreage to be filled 60± ac
		Total acreage of wetlands involved 60± ac
		2. Type of material to be used clean lime rock
		3. Source of fill material to be used commercial
	C.	Agriculture Sousca Sous
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		2. Total area to be hedded for planting
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		d. Container Nursery = e. Shade House Nursery =
v		f. Other (please explain)
		4. If proposed project involves the construction of any drainage, water containment or conveyance facilities (i.e. ditches, diked areas, ponds, swales), please describe the proposed facilities:
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	NOTE:	If the project involves construction of any residential, office, storage facilities or other structures or if the project involves the placement of a trailer on the property, separate approval from Dade County Building and Zoning Department (375-2500) is required.
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- 10. APPLICATION IS MADE FOR A PERMIT (S) TO AUTHORIZE THE ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED HEREIN.
  - I authorize the agent listed in item # 2 to negotiate modifications or revisions, when Α. necessary, and accept or assent to any stipulations on my behalf.
  - I agree to provide entry to the project site for Inspectors with proper identification or B. documents from Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management for the purpose of making preliminary analyses of the site. Further, I agree to provide entry to the project site for such inspectors to monitor permitted work if a permit is granted.
  - Further, I hereby acknowledge the obligation and responsibility for obtaining all of C. the required state, federal or local permits before commencement of construction activities. I also understand that before commencement of this proposed project I must be granted separate permits or authorizations from the U.S. Corps of Engineers, the Department of Environmental Regulation, the Department of Natural Resources, and the South Florida Water Management District, as necessary.

I CERTIFY that I am familiar with the information contained in this application, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief such information is true, complete and accurate. I further certify that I possess the authority to undertake the propose activities.

Curtis Gray, President

Homestead-Miami Speedway, LLC

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Signature of Applicant (s)

Date

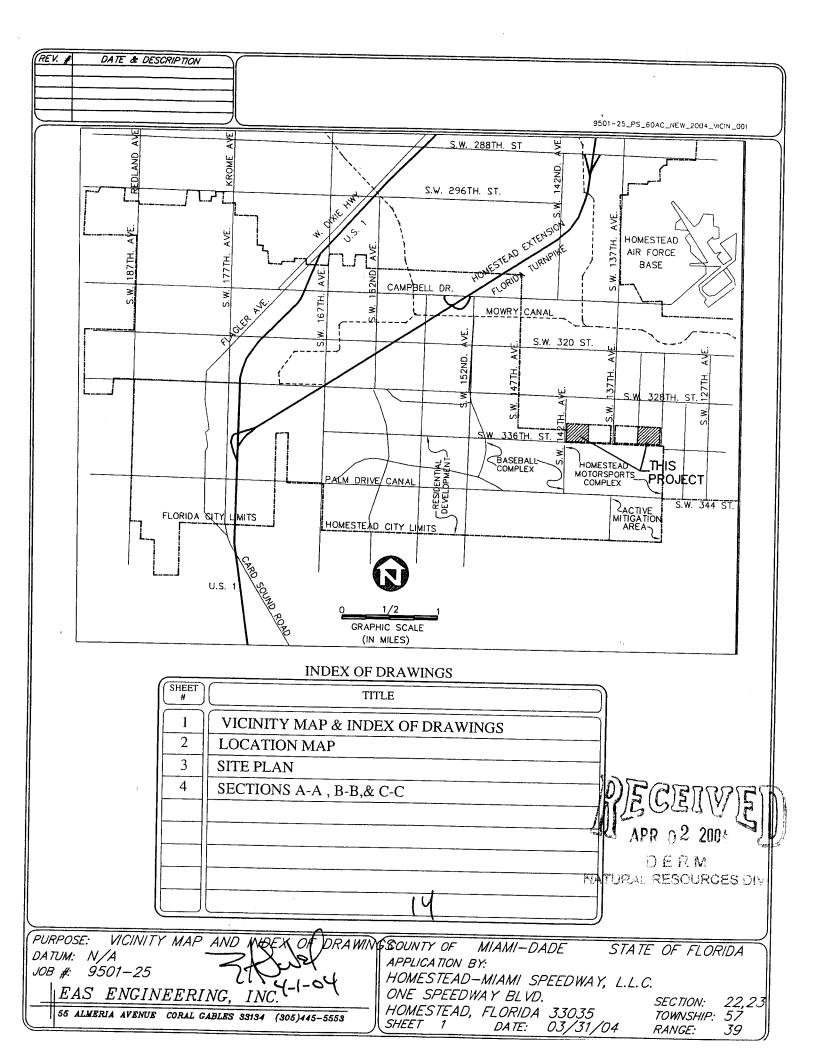
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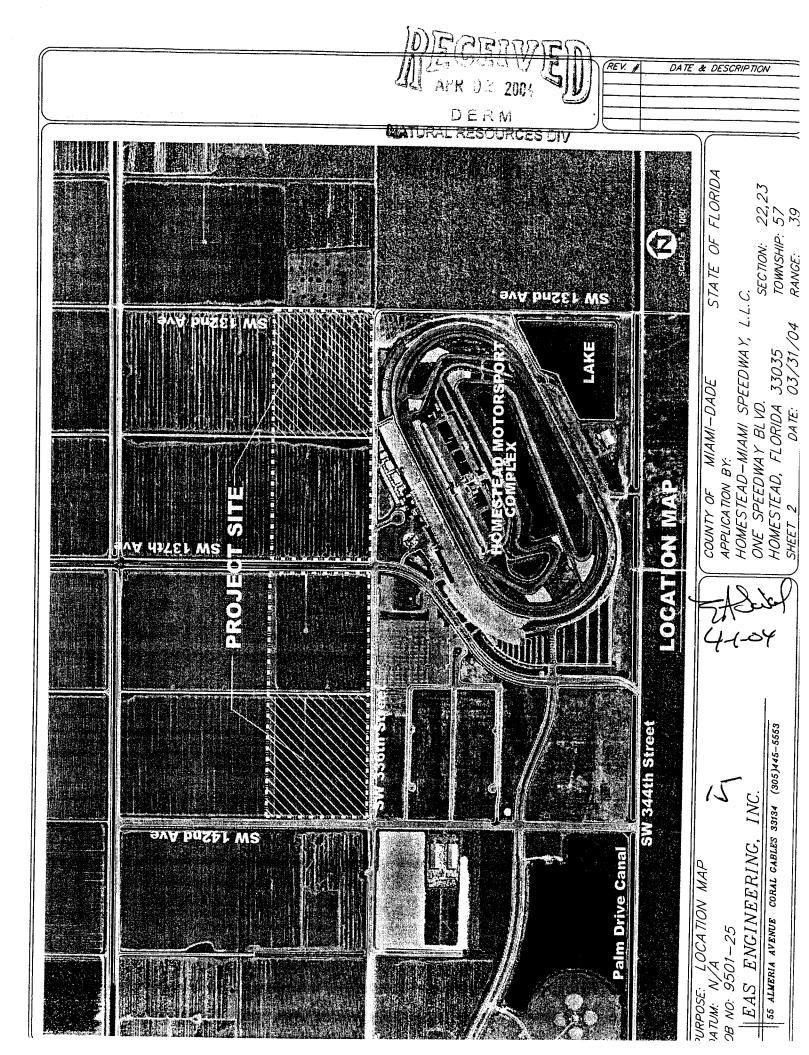
THIS APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED by the person(s) who desires to undertake the proposed activity or by an authorized agent. If an agent is applying on behalf of the applicant, attach proof of authority for the agent to sign and bind the applicant.

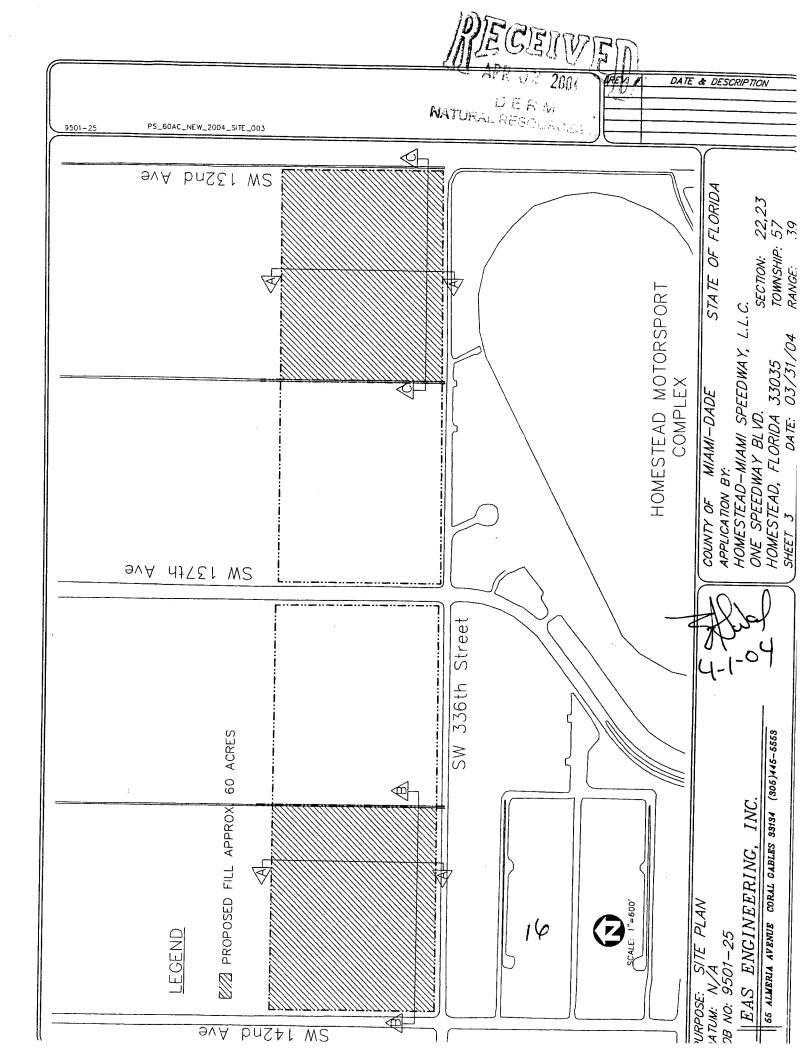
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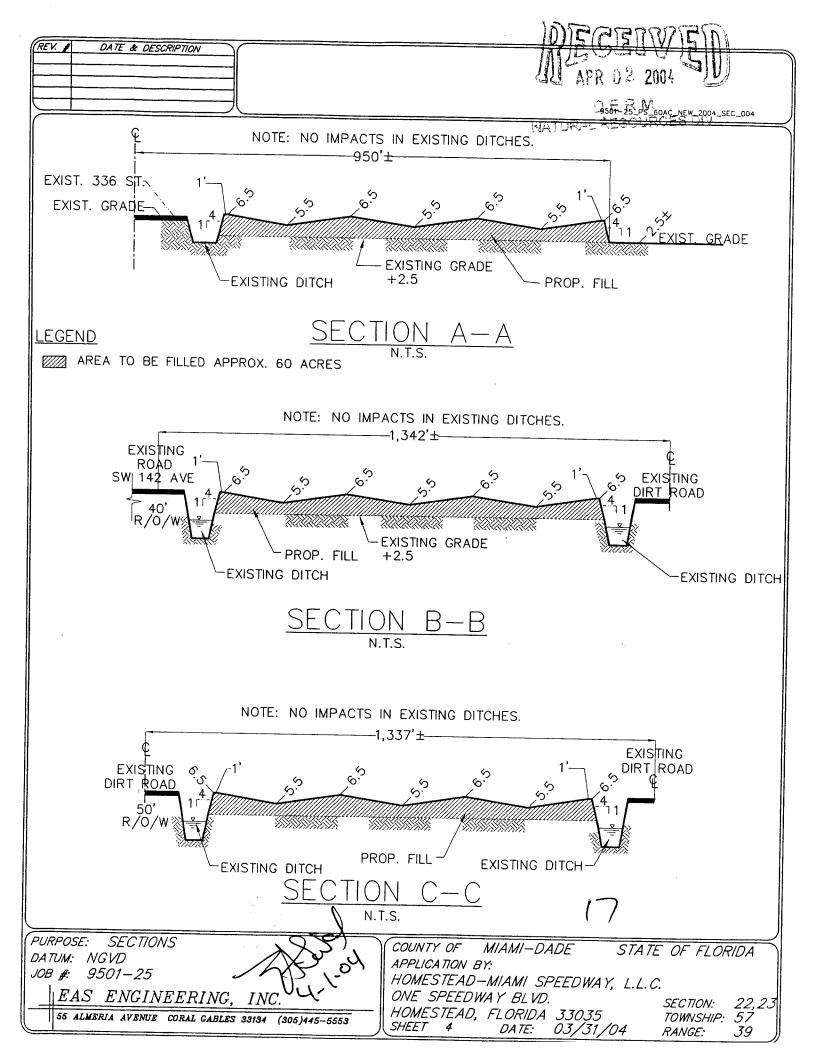
This is a Class IV Permit Application; it is NOT a Class IV Permit! You Must Obtain ALL Required Local, State, and Federal Authorizations or Permits BEFORE Commencing Work!!

For Your Information: Section 370.034, Florida Statutes, requires that all dredge and fill equipment owned, used, leased, rented or operated in the state shall be registered with the Department of Natural Resources. Before selecting your contractor or equipment you may wish to determine if this requirement has been met. For further Information contact the Chief of the Bureau of Licenses and Motorboat Registration, Tallahassee, Florida 32303. Telephone Number (904)488-1195.









## ATTACHMENT B

Letter from Property Owner

Engineer's Certification Letter

#### EAS ENGINEERING, INC.

55 ALMERIA AVE. • CORAL GABLES • FLORIDA 33134 • (305) 445-5553 • FAX: (305) 444-2112 • WWW.EAS-ENG.COM

May 25, 2004

Mr. Michael Spinelli Miami-Dade County DERM Wetland and Forest Resources Section 33 SW Second Avenue, Suite 400 Miami, Florida 33130-1540

Re: Class IV Standard Form Permit Application Number FW 00-104, Placement of Fill in Sections 22 & 23, T 57 S, R 39 E for Additional 60 Acres of Overflow Parking Lot

Dear Mr. Spinelli:

By the attached Class IV Standard Form permit application with supporting documents, I, Edward A. Swakon, am the applicant's authorized agent and hereby request permission to perform the following: to place clean fill in jurisdictional wetlands in Sections 22 and 23, Township 57 South, Range 39 East. I understanding that a Miami-Dade County Class IV Standard Form Permit is required to perform this work.

If approval is granted for the proposed work by the Board of Count Commissioners, complete and detailed plans and calculations of the proposed work shall be prepared by an engineer registered in the State of Florida and in accordance with the minimum requirements of Chapter 24 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and the Miami-Dade County Public Works Manual. Said plans and calculations shall be subject to the review and approval of the Department of Environmental Resources Management. The permit applicant will secure the services of an engineer registered in the State of Florida to conduct inspections throughout the construction period, and said engineer shall prepare all required drawings of record.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward A. Swakon, P.E.

President

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Re: Class IV Standard Form Permit Application Number FW 00-104, Placement of Fill in Sections 22 & 23, T 57 S, R 39 E for Additional 60 Acres of Overflow Parking Lot

Dear Mr. Spinelli:

This letter will certify that I am an engineer registered in the State of Florida, qualified by education and experience in the area of construction, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the proposed work does not violate any laws of the State of Florida or any provision of the Code of Miami-Dade County which may be applicable, that diligence and recognized standard practices of the engineering profession have been exercised in the engineer's design process for the proposed work, and in my opinion based upon my knowledge and belief, the following will not occur:

- 1. Harmful obstruction or undesirable alteration of the natural flow of the water within the area of the proposed work.
- 2. Harmful or increased erosion, shoaling of channels or stagnant areas of water.
- 3. Material injury to adjacent property.

Further, I have been retained by the applicant to provide inspections throughout the construction period and shall prepare a set of reproducible record prints of drawings showing changes made during the construction process based upon the marked up prints, drawings, and other data furnished by the contractor to me.

Sincerely,

EAS Engineering, Inc.

Edward A. Swakon, P.E.

President

P.E. License No. 31184

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# ATTACHMENT C

Planning and Zoning Approval Memorandum

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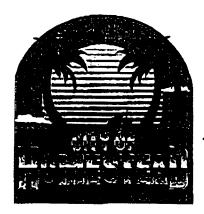
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### CITY OF HOMESTEAD. FLORIDA

790 N. HOMESTEAD BOULEVARD - HOMESTEAD, FLORIDA 33030 TELEPHONE: (305) 224-4400 - FAX: (305) 224-4439 - E-Mail: http://ci.homestead.fl.us

ROSCOE WARREN, Mayor LYNDA BELL, VICE-Mayor CURTIS K. IVY, JD., City Munager

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Amanda S. Garner NORMAN L. HODGE JR.

STEVEN D. LOSNED JEFFRIN D. PORTER JUDY WALDMAN

May 13, 2004

Mr. Ed Swekon EAS Engineering, Inc. 55 Almeria Avenue Coral Gables, FL 33134

Re:

Homestead-Miami Speedway, Filling of Additional 60 Acres North of Speedway for

Overflow Parking Lot

Dear Mr. Swakon:

The City of Homestead has reviewed your proposal to fill an additional 60 acres (two 30-acre parcels) of land north of the Homestead-Miami Speedway Folio Numbers 10-7923-001-0023 and the west ½ of 10-7922-001-0071.

The proposed usage of the property upon which the proposed work would occur does not violate any zoning law applicable to the area of the proposed work. The City has no objection to the proposed work.

Sincerely,

City Manager

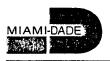
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## ATTACHMENT D

DERM Water Control's Cut & Fill Approval





ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT WATER CONTROL SECTION

SUITE 200 33 S.W. 2nd AVENUE MIAMI, FLORIDA 33130-1540 (305) 372-6681

May 21, 2004

Mr. Edward A. Swakon, P.E. President EAS Engineering, Inc. 55 Almeria Avenue Coral Gables, Florida 33134 MAY 21 200 EN

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RE:

HOMESTEAD-MIAMI SPEEDWAY, ADDITIONAL 60 ACRES PARKING LOT

FW 00-104

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, S22&23/T57S/R39E

Dear Mr. Swakon:

This office has completed its review of the above referenced project pursuant to the requirements of fill encroachment criteria. The property is located outside of the special basins and therefore is not required to comply with the county's fill encroachment criteria. The required water management system must comply with the Environmental Resource Permit issued by the South Florida Water Management District.

If you have any questions, please call Camilo P. Ignacio at (305) 372-6681.

Sincerely,

J.M. (Manny) Tobon, P.E. Chief, Water Control Section

MT/CI: ci

Cc: Janet Gil, DERM WFRS

## ATTACHMENT E

Project Report

### PROJECT REPORT

### CLASS IV PERMIT APPLICATION NO. FW 00-104

Homestead-Miami Speedway, LLC

"60-Acre Overflow Parking Lot"

May 24, 2004

Staff's recommendation of approval for the above-referenced permit application is based on the applicable evaluation factors set forth in Section 24-58.3, Code of Miami-Dade County. The following is a summary evaluation of the proposed filling of sixty (60) acres of wetlands by Homestead-Miami Speedway, LLC with respect to each applicable evaluation factor:

- 1. <u>Hydrology</u> The project is designed in accordance with DERM criteria and design standards. The property is located outside of the special basins and therefore is not required to comply with the County's fill encroachment criteria. The required water management system must comply with the Environmental Resource Permit issued by the South Florida Water Management District.
- 2. <u>Water Quality</u> The project will be designed in accordance with DERM water quality standards.
- 3. Wellfields/Water Supply This project is not within any wellfield protection boundaries.
- 4. <u>Aesthetics</u> The project is designed to be compatible with the surrounding area. Specifically, this project is consistent with the current racetrack uses to the south of the project.
- 5. Public Health The project will not adversely affect the public health.
- 6. <u>Historic/Archaeological Values</u> No known archaeological site is located within the boundaries of this application.
- 7. Air Quality This evaluation factor does not apply to this project.
- 8. Wildlife Habitats The project will not affect known wildlife habitats.
- 9. <u>Soils</u> Hydric soils exist at this site, however, they have undergone substrate disturbance through years of agricultural activity.
- 10. <u>Flora</u> This project will not disturb natural wetland areas. The subject properties have been kept in seasonal agricultural use.
- 11. Fauna This project will not disturb known native wildlife habitat.
- 12. <u>Rare, Threatened and/or Endangered Species</u> This evaluation factor does not apply to this project.
- 13. <u>Natural Flood Damage Protection</u> The water management features of the project have been reviewed by DERM's Water Control Section and are in compliance with DERM's cut and fill criteria for development in this area. (See Attachment D)
- 14. Wetland Values Based upon the long-term use and loss of biological value of the properties, mitigation is not required for this project.

- 15. Zoning The City of Homestead has determined that filling is consistent with the zoning classification of the property, and has no objection to the proposed project. (See Attachment C)
- 16. <u>Recreation</u> The proposed project is for an overflow parking lot to serve the Homestead-Miami Speedway, a commercial recreational facility.
- 17. Other Environmental Values Affecting the Public Interest This evaluation factor does not apply to this project.
- 18. <u>Standard Construction Procedures, Practices and Performance Standards</u> The proposed project shall comply with all construction practices and standards of the Miami-Dade County Public Works Manual.
- 19. <u>Comprehensive Environmental Impact Statement (CEIS)</u> A CEIS was not required for this project because, in the opinion of the Director, the proposed work or activity will not result in significant adverse environmental impacts.
- 20. <u>Conformance with All Applicable Federal and State Laws and Regulations</u> In order to be permitted, the project must be consistent with the following applicable State and Federal laws and accompanying regulations such as:
  - a) Federal Clean Water Act (US Army Corps of Engineers and US Environmental Protection Agency)
  - b) Federal Endangered Species Act (US Fish & Wildlife Service)
  - c) Chapter 373, Florida Statutes (Florida Department of Environmental Protection)
  - d) Chapter 380, Florida Statutes (Florida Department of Community Affairs)
  - e) South Florida Water Management District Management and Storage of Surface Water (MSSW) rule
- 21. <u>Conformance with the Miami-Dade County Comprehensive Development Master Plan</u> (<u>CDMP</u>) In the opinion of DERM, the proposed land use is consistent with the CDMP. Specifically, the project complies with the following CDMP Elements and Policies:

#### LAND USE ELEMENT I:

<u>Objective 1</u> - The project is generally consistent with the goals, objectives and policies contained in the Conservation Element.

#### **CONSERVATION ELEMENT VI:**

- Objective 1 This project will not impact the County's ability to meet all air quality standards.
- Objective 2 This project adheres to all relevant stormwater management criteria.
- Objective 3 This project is not within any wellfield protection boundaries.
- Objective 4 This project will not significantly affect the water storage, aquifer recharge potential, and maintenance of natural surface water drainage.
- Objective 5 This project adheres to relevant flood protection criteria.
- Objective 6 This project must use suitable fill material in order to meet the requirements of Chapter 24 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.
- Objective 7 The proposed impacts to wetlands are in an area that has been disturbed and degraded by agricultural activities. The project will not require mitigation because the natural resources and systems of the subject properties have undergone severe alteration and loss of biological value due to the continuous agricultural activities that have occurred on site.
- Objective 8 There are no upland forests within the project boundary.
- Objective 9 There are no known listed species on this project site.
- 22. <u>Conformance with Chapter 33B, Code of Miami-Dade County (East Everglades Zoning Overlay Ordinance)</u> This evaluation factor does not apply to this project.
- 23. <u>Conformance with Miami-Dade County Ordinance 81-19 (Biscayne Bay Management Plan)</u>
   This evaluation factor does not apply to this project.
- 24. <u>Municipality Recommendation</u> The City of Homestead has provided a letter stating that they have no objection to the proposed project, and that the proposed use would not violate any applicable zoning law.
- 25. Coastal Wetland Management Line This evaluation factor does not apply to this project.
- 26. <u>Wetland Fill Limits</u> This project will impact 60 acres of jurisdictional wetlands in existing agricultural fields.

The proposed project was also evaluated for compliance with the minimum required standards contained in Section 24-58.3 (B), (C), and (D) of the Code of Miami-Dade County. The following is a summary of the project's compliance with said standards:

24-58.3 (B) Dredging and/or Filling for Class I Permit - This standard does not apply to this project.

24-58.3 (C) Docks and Piers for Mooring Purposes - This standard does not apply to this project.

<u>24-58.3 (D) Clean Fill in Freshwater Wetlands</u> - The proposed project involves the placement of clean fill material only.

#### **SUMMARY**

BASED ON THE FOREGOING, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT A CLASS IV PERMIT BE APPROVED.

Matthew Davis

Chief, Wetlands and Forest

**Resources Section** 

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